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U.S. Forest Service to Waive Fees for Veterans Day

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Roanoke, Va. – The George Washington and Jefferson National Forests will waive fees at all day use recreation sites over the Veterans Day holiday weekend, November 9-11. Fees will be waived for all members of the public at all day use fee sites operated by the U.S. Forest Service. A list of local day use areas includes:

- Bark Camp
- Bolar Flat
- Brandywine
- Cascades
- Crabtree Falls
- Fortney Branch Boat Launch
- Pound Boat Launch

"We wholeheartedly salute the men and women who represent the nearly 22 million American veterans who have served their country in the military," said U.S. Forest Service Chief Tom Tidwell. "As we do throughout the year, we encourage veterans and their families to take advantage of their national forests and grasslands to enjoy all the benefits the outdoors provide."

The fee waiver days support the goals of President Obama's America's Great Outdoors initiative, which encourages all Americans to connect with the outdoors, and First Lady Michelle Obama's "Let's Move Outside," which encourages children to get out and get active to be healthy.

The Forest Service also honors active duty military members year-round with the free [Interagency Annual Military Pass](#) honored at all Forest Service, National Park Service, Bureau of Reclamation and U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service sites charging entrance or standard amenity fees.

Visit the George Washington and Jefferson National Forests [website](#) to learn more about local recreation opportunities.

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